

Fundamentalists after site(s) in Livermore

The arrival of "fundamental education" in the Valley this year has probably been the biggest educational event since construction of the first open-space "pod" 10 years ago.

But, unlike "open education" which was built upon future-thinking research and experimentation, "fundamental education" seeks to reach into the idealized past for its answer to the eternal questions: How do we educate our young for a future we can't foresee? What kind of people do we want to turn out of the enormous mill we call public education in America?

For the average parent, those momentous problems boil down to something simpler. Is my Johnny still learning even though he's allowed to play games half the day at school? Shouldn't he be learning how to be quiet and attentive as well as how to bake cookies? Would he be ahead in math if he weren't distracted by 59 other kids in that funny-looking "pod"?

For many, the attraction of a fundamental school is obvious "You KNOW what goes on in a fundamental classroom," a school board member once told a group of inquiring parents.

"It's the same thing that went on when WE were in school. We ALL had a fundamental education."

That kind of security — knowing their kids will be reading aloud in a circle, sitting at desks equipped with a standardized array of textbooks and pursuing well-defined lessons in spelling, geography, handwriting, history — is what attracts many Valley parents to the fundamental approach.

They also like the idea that children will be expected to sit stiller, be quieter and neater than they generally are in other classes (although it must be acknowledged

that Valley classrooms now run the gamut from highly structured to totally individualized and open).

On the other hand, some parents are appalled at what they consider a throwback to a discredited system of education that never had any merit.

It didn't take long for the fundamental idea, introduced last year, to catch on in the Valley.

But it became different programs in different places. The people of San Ramon and Pleasanton quietly incorporated several fundamental classes into their elementary

schools, offering parents a choice of program. Those classes opened this past fall to the apparent satisfaction of all.

Meanwhile, in Livermore a larger group of citizens backed by several school board members went after the brass ring — an entire school given over to the fundamental approach.

The board approved that idea in July, after first hearing about it in May. Their plan, well on its way to fulfillment, is to open the fundamental school next September.

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Weather

Gathering clouds may lead to rain this morning and will increase the chances of showers this afternoon. Variable clouds will continue through tonight and Wednesday. Temperatures will range from early morning lows in the 40's to highs in the upper 50's and low 60's. Northwesterly winds will increase to 20 mph this afternoon.

'Politics' claims ABI chief

Builders rap McLain move

PLEASANTON — Councilman Roger McLain's suggestion that the Associated Building Industry of Northern California urge developers to drop law suits against the city has been described as political mud-throwing.

"It appears that a citizen running for election is trying to throw a little mud in hopes

of enhancing his campaign," said ABI Executive Director William Leonard.

Leonard was referring to McLain's election filing statement in which he said: "It is time we ask the homebuilders association to examine the actions of some of our local developers who have been responsible for exorbitant legal

expenditures by the city when we have to defend ourselves in court because of their sewer problems over which we have no control."

McLain went on to say, "I think it is time that these developers realize that these recent actions on their part are not only morally and ethically wrong, but they are bit-

ing the hand that feeds them."

"Obviously it is just a political statement," said Leonard. "He talks about moral responsibility. The responsibility is that developers have agreements with the city and the city has no sewer capacity available. That is not the developers' fault. I think one judge said it was caused by the city's negligence, but it was not the city's fault."

"I think the time now should be spent in resolving the problems, not in heating up the atmosphere. He's on the wrong plane," said Leonard.

Asked if he thinks ABI should have or does have the power to compel builders to call off lawsuits against the city, Leonard said that ABI does have power with developers in consumer affairs and labor relations, "but in terms of the private affairs of a firm, that is really not our function."

The main thrust of McLain's argument is that the lawsuits are costing city taxpayers money because of attorneys' fees and court costs. Leonard said that ABI was involved in a court action which saved taxpayers money.

"There were a couple of group cases we had, for example, when we got a \$12 million refund for those whose property values went down because of no-growth and the sewer problem," said Leonard. He was referring to a

successful appeal on property assessments approximately three years ago, a suit which was led by area builders on behalf of local property owners, including themselves.

Replying yesterday to Leonard's remarks, McLain said it was "unfortunate" that his statement was seen as "political" merely because it was made during the city council race.

The ABI can and should say that it is in the interests of developers themselves to drop the lawsuits, said McLain. The more money the city spends defending itself against developers, the less it can spend on the planning and building staffs where developers expect fast service, he said.

The city has only so much sewer capacity available. The developers know it and that's why their lawsuits are futile, said McLain.

"It's like getting a payroll check with an error in it. The extra digit makes the check worth 10 times more than your regular salary. You know it's an error and you don't dare cash it. I put the builders in the same boat. Why ask for a half-million gallons when only a quarter-million is available," said McLain.

Eliminating the developers' lawsuits might even enable the city to return to the days when it didn't have an assistant city attorney, said McLain.

— by Ron McNicoll

But all is not rosy

They'll run in Rose Parade

Harold and Ruth Gabriel were to leave today to take their four-horse team to Pasadena where they'll drive the wagon train in the Tournament of Rose parade on Thursday morning.

The parade will be seen on national television.

However, in order to join the Bicentennial Wagon Train scheduled to start a cross country trek on Friday, the Gabriels still need financial

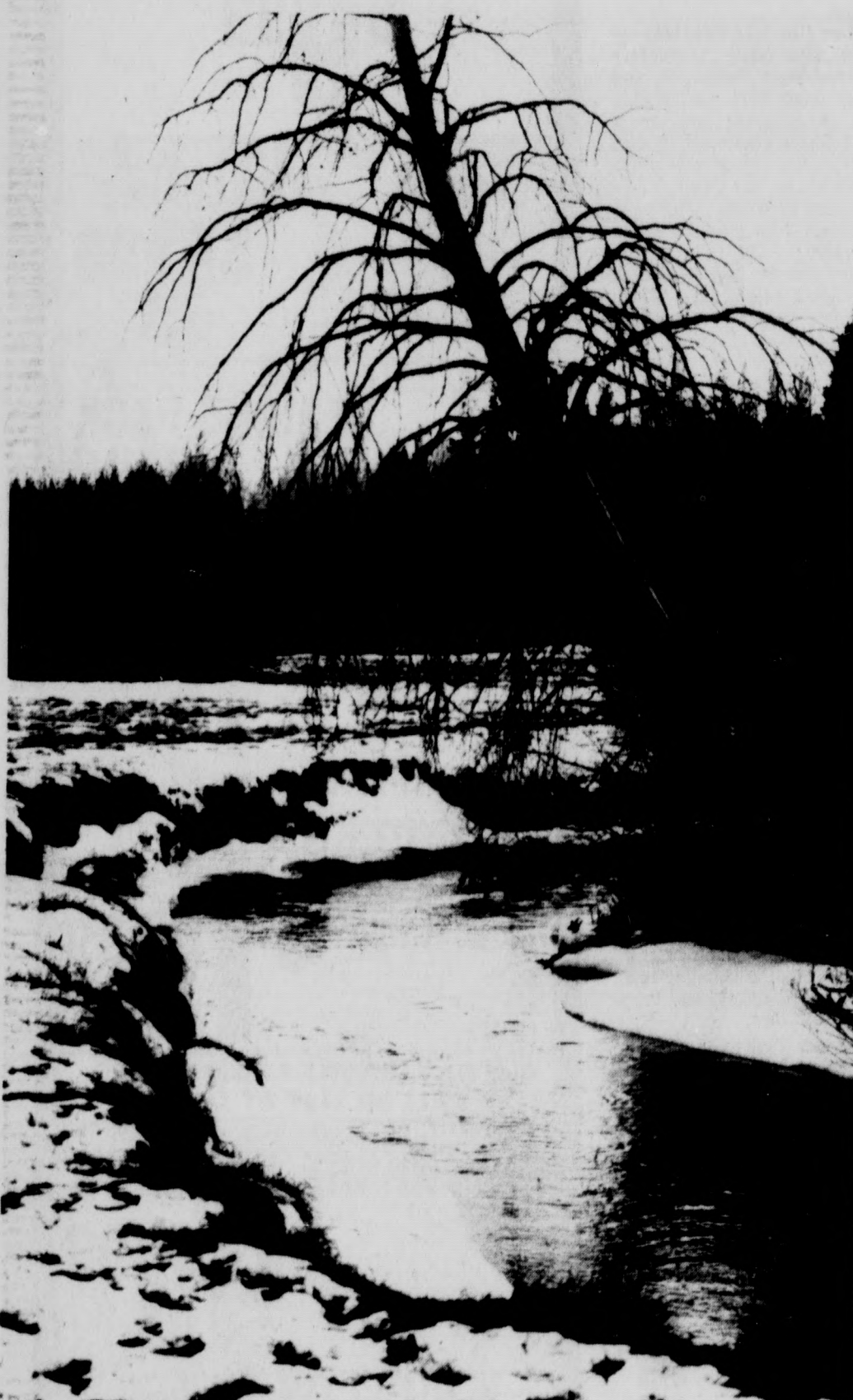
assistance to meet such expenses as shoeing the horses, paying any necessary vets bills, gas and oil for their pickup and trailer, plus other minimal living expenses.

Persons wishing to make a pledge or send a check should call Burke Critchfield's office (447-7020) in Livermore or send a check made out to "Gabriels' Fund," P.O. Box 623, Livermore, Calif.

An account has been

opened at the Valley Bank for funds with all going to underwrite necessary expenses the Gabriels incur on the six months long journey from Pomona, California, to Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.

They have been invited to be part of the Bicentennial Wagon Train that will include wagons from California, Hawaii and Pennsylvania, plus a chuck wagon. The trek is planned out so they arrive at Valley Forge on July 4, 1976.



On a winter's day

What to do over a long, sunny Christmas vacation? ... Well, if you're Times photographer Peter Griffith, taking a break from the rigors of Amador Valley High, you'll head for Tahoe to enjoy the pines and streams and a crisp coating of snow on the ground ... while if you're Douglas Wartenberg, 7, who goes to Lydiksen School in Pleasanton, you'll lure Dad out for an afternoon of fishing in the 70-degree stillness of Shadow Cliffs Regional Park. Even if all you do catch is some drippy green seaweed.

(Times photos by Peter Griffith, Pat Kennedy)



The Hunter home is a gutted, charred shell after Saturday's tragic fire.

Times photo by Bill Cauble

Meadows home fire claims life

PLEASANTON — One man was killed and his wife critically injured when fire roared through their two-story wood frame house in Pleasanton Meadows late Saturday night.

Frank Hunter, 49, of 3540 Chippendale Court was pronounced dead on arrival at Valley Memorial Hospital. His wife, Mary, 57, is listed in critical condition at Alta Bates Burn Center in Berkeley with second and third degree burns over 25 per cent of her body and a severe respiratory ailment resulting from the fire.

The Hunters' daughter, Cheryl, 10, and a visiting seven-year-old boy were home at the time of the blaze but escaped unharmed. The Hunters' other daughter, Lori, 17, was away during the tragedy.

Pleasanton Fire Capt. Doug Cracraft said the fire apparently started in the electrical wiring of the Christmas tree lights. He added that the tree caught fire rapidly because it was not kept in water and was extremely dry.

Mrs. Hunter had retired to an upstairs bedroom while Frank and the two children were in the family room downstairs playing a game the children had received for Christmas.

The three heard a noise in the living room and found the Christmas tree ablaze. Hunter grabbed the children and rushed through the garage and outside the house.

He then ran back into the house through the front door and awakened his wife. Mrs.

Hunter raced downstairs with her clothing afire and ran outside the house, where an unknown person extinguished her clothes.

Firemen responded to the blaze at 11:20 p.m. with seven on-duty and 11 off-duty and reserve firefighters with four engine companies. They found Hunter unconscious on the children's bedroom floor. Resuscitation was attempted at the scene before he was rushed to Valley Memorial Hospital, where he was pronounced dead on arrival.

Firemen said Hunter either collapsed disoriented into the children's bedroom due to the heat and smoke, or attempted to get out through the bedroom window and failed.

A Coroner's office spokesman said the exact cause of Hunter's death wouldn't be determined for two to three weeks pending an autopsy report.

The Hunter children were reported to be staying with relatives in Oakland. Neither the Hunter children nor the visiting boy were injured in the blaze.

Capt. Cracraft said it was Pleasanton's worst fire in twelve years. "We had two people killed in structure fires more than ten years ago; an older man on the east side of town, and a young boy in Komandorski Village."

Damage is estimated at \$25,000.

— by Bill Cauble

(Please see Page 2 for details of fund being set up for survivors of house fire.)

First-class mail going to 13 cents

Got any three-cent stamps around?

Better get some, or mail out all your bills and letters today with the 10-cent stamps you have on hand. For tomorrow, the rates go up after all.

Mail clerks are doing a brisk business in the three-cent stamps, not, as it was not so many years ago, because you could mail a first-class letter with one, but because Americans will be needing to add them to their leftover 10-cent stamps. The new first-class letter rate of 13 cents is in effect midnight tonight.

According to Mark Foster, postmaster of the Pleasanton branch, postage-due stickers probably won't be slapped on envelopes for "the first day or so" because it will be hard to tell whether the letters were

mailed before deadline and customers will be given the benefit of the doubt.

After New Year's, however, mail carriers will probably be working longer hours as they ring doorbells collecting the postage due.

The U.S. Postal Service is not expecting a big lag in public understanding of the new rates. "Word gets out pretty fast," Postmaster Foster comments.

The new rates, originally expected to go into effect Dec. 26, were postponed because of a lawsuit brought by the Association of Third Class Mail Users and the National Easter Seal Society.

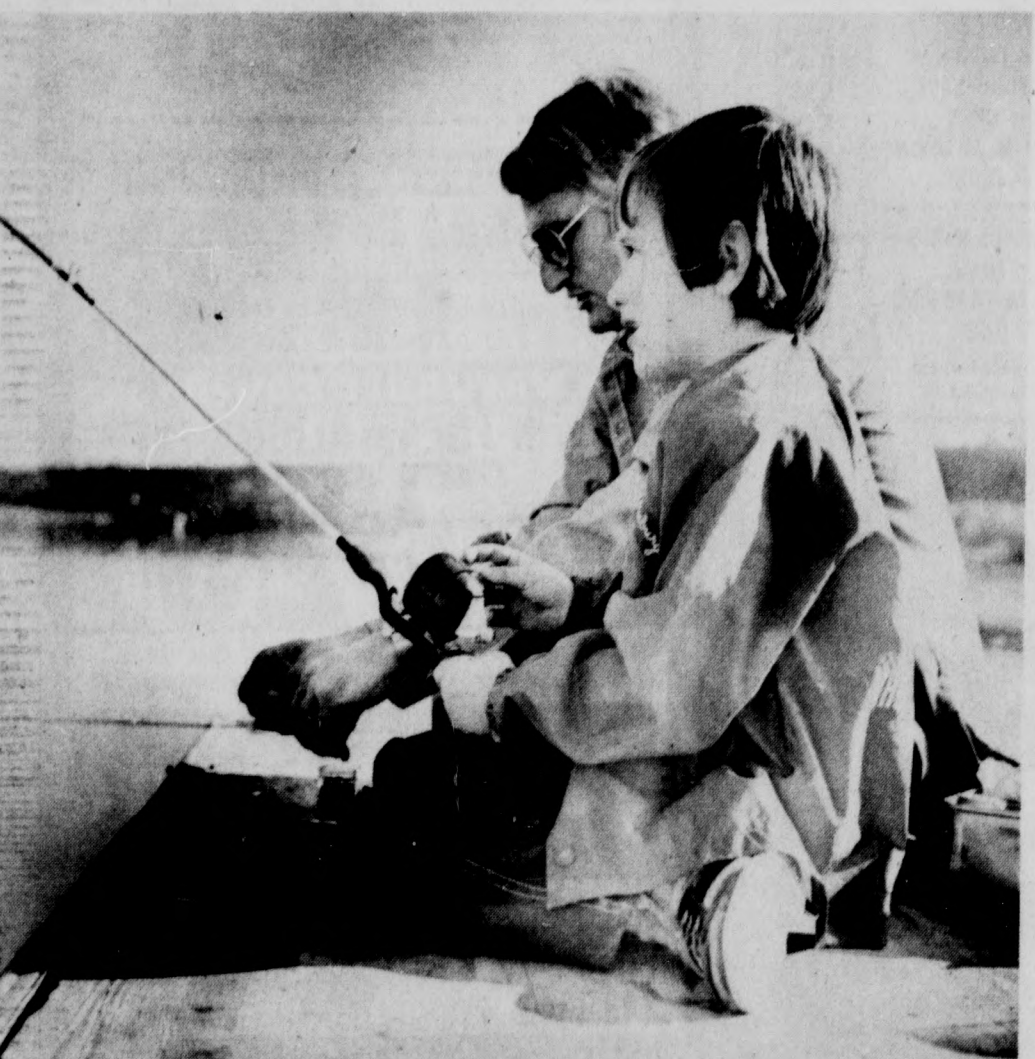
But yesterday a federal appeals court overturned a lower court order prohibiting the U.S. Postal Service from raising rates.

Uncertainty about postage rates caused the U.S. Postal Service to print all its Christmas stamps without the usual "U.S. Postage 10 Cents" notation on them. The unmarked stamps were rejected by some post offices for use on overseas mail.

In arguments before a three-judge panel yesterday, a lawyer for the Postal Service, Neil Koslowe, said the service would not be able to meet its Feb. 6 payroll unless allowed to raise postal rates immediately.

The Postal Service claims a \$2.6 billion deficit for fiscal year 1976, which is half over.

Even with the increase, the deficit will amount to \$1.4 billion, they say. They contemplated stopping Saturday delivery and special delivery service to save money.



Fundamentalist class search

From page one

Their reasoning was that children in a fundamental program should not be exposed to conflicting rules at school. "We want all of these things all of the time" is the fundamentalists' explanation for their unwillingness to blend into a regular school program.

But the proposed program, like the man without a country, has nowhere to go. Not one school in town seems to have anything like a majority of parents asking for a fundamental school. In fact, parents and teachers have been petitioning the board to keep their neighborhood schools as they are — perhaps with the addition of a few fundamental classrooms — not to make the big changeover to a fundamental school.

Meanwhile the board has been going ahead with its plan, on the assumption that

the current open-space classes are just as extreme, and just as much of an infringement on parents' rights, as the fundamental school might be for those who don't agree with it.

Teachers have already protested that open-space "pods" are just an architectural feature, and that classes are usually not as modernistic as they may seem in the schools without walls.

So the debate continues, promising to become a full-scale struggle by summer. Although hundreds of families would probably support a fundamental school, they are not all living in the same area (Livermore has 14 elementary schools) and they are outnumbered in each area by families who don't want the program.

The problem is compounded by the district's prediction they will not be able to bus dissenters out of the area to another school,

and they will not even be able to guarantee a choice of alternate schools to families who are in the neighborhood of the fundamental school-to-be but who want to go elsewhere.

There appear to be three choices open to fundamental-school backers:

First, abandon the idea of having a neighborhood school for their program. Instead, offer fundamental classes in many schools in Livermore, so they will be accessible to more people and will not displace anyone.

That alternative has a chance of support from the school board, although plans for a single fundamental school are advancing rapidly.

Second, modify the fundamental program until it is palatable to most families in the area where the fundamental school will be located.

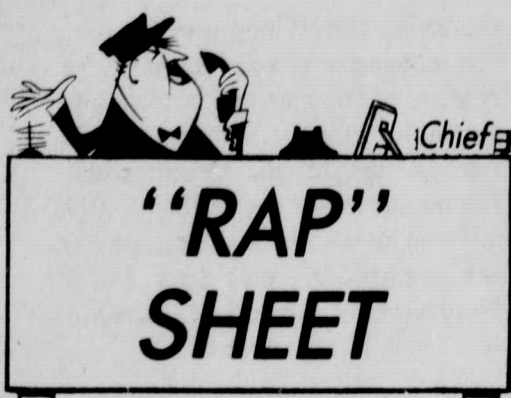
Third, find an unused building and house

the fundamental program there instead of trying to displace another program. That alternative has some support, but the only unused building will probably be Green School, which is being turned into a warehouse in 1977 when an expanded Christensen School is ready for use. Green is located out of town near the Altamont area, quite a distance for most Livermore residents to drive, and it would cost the district money to retain Green as a school.

The picture should be clearer in a few weeks, when fundamental school questionnaires are returned from local parents and teachers.

The response will give everyone a look at where the support for a fundamental school is coming from and where the district should go from here.

— by Pat Kennedy



"RAP" SHEET

Man arrested after damage to police car

LIVERMORE — A 24-year-old Livermore man was arrested early Sunday after he allegedly tried to rip a top-mounted speaker from a police car and then broke the car's windshield with a beer pitcher.

Gary Lee Harris of 2352 Chestnut Ave. was arrested and booked on suspicion of vandalism and tampering with a police vehicle, and battery on a policeman.

Off. Leonard Wickstein was patrolling northbound on J Street near Second when he saw three men standing near an unoccupied patrol unit. Wickstein watched as one man, reportedly Harris, allegedly grabbed hold of an outside speaker and attempted to wrench it from the car.

Wickstein accelerated toward the scene as Harris reportedly smashed the unattended unit's windshield with a beer pitcher. The officer pursued Harris and wrestled with him before other officers arrived and subdued the suspect.

Damage to the patrol was estimated at \$300-\$500.

Two men arrested for refusing officers' orders

LIVERMORE — Two men refusing to leave the scene of an argument late Friday were arrested by police for resisting arrest and delaying officers.

Police responded to the scene of an angry confrontation at First and J Streets between approximately 18 men. Most of the crowd dispersed at police request. Two men allegedly defied orders to move and yelled obscenities at police. Mark Edward Hill, 21, of 917 South Livermore Ave. was physically subdued and arrested, police said.

Jack DeAnza Lippis, 21, of 695 North P St. became angered at Hill's arrest and yelled profanities at police. He was also arrested.

Hill was booked on suspicion of resisting arrest and drunk in public. Lippis was booked on investigation of resisting arrest. Both were cited and released.

Horse killed running across First St. Friday

LIVERMORE — A riderless horse was struck by two cars and killed as it attempted to run across First Street Friday.

Police said the horse was apparently tied improperly in front of the Livermore Feed and Grain store on Fourth Street and worked itself free.

The horse ran southbound across First where its rear leg was clipped by a car driven by Robert Vancil. It continued across First and was struck by Kenneth Jordan's car.

The injured animal got up and ran around onto Martin Avenue where it died. None of the drivers were injured.

\$242 stolen from Hound Dog restaurant

PLEASANTON — Burglars stole \$242 from the Hound Dog restaurant on Stanley Boulevard late last week in a theft discovered Saturday.

Police could find no point of forced entry and suspect the burglars had a key. They money was taken from a "secret" hiding place, police said, but nearby coins were not touched. Police are checking for fingerprints at the scene.

\$1,400 in tools stolen from parked car

LIVERMORE — More than \$1,400 worth of tools were stolen from a car parked on Charlotte Way Friday, police reported yesterday.

Steven Gene Springer told police burglars apparently pried open his car's wind wing and entered the vehicle. There are no suspects in the case.

Burglars hit Marsha Lynn School of Dance

LIVERMORE — Tools and an am/fm radio valued at more than \$250 were stolen from the Marsha Lynn School of Dance last week.

Burglars kicked out a panel below a window and crawled into the Rincon Avenue building. Tools being used in interior modification and an am/fm radio were taken.

Tape deck and back seat taken from car

LIVERMORE — Thieves entered a car parked on Norma Street Friday night and stole more than \$400 in auto equipment.

Robert William Metz told police that thieves entered the locked car and stole an eight-track tape deck, five tapes, and his leather upholstered back seat. No signs of forced entry were found by police.



Romper room guest

Tune in to Romper Room (8:30 a.m., Channel 2) on New Year's Morning if you're up, to watch Michelle Roberts, 10, of Livermore perform a ballet acrobatic dance. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Roberts, Michelle is in fifth grade at St. Michael's School. She has been a student of Carol Jean Famariss in Livermore since the age of two and a half and has won many awards. She tapes the performance (Photo courtesy T.E. Peiffer)

Waste management plan

PLEASANTON — The city council will review a draft proposal for the Alameda County solid waste management plan at a special meeting at 5 p.m. today.

The meeting time and date are a departure from the council's regular scheduled meetings at 8 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of the month.

The county planning staff has added a key phrase to the solid waste management draft, at the request of the city council. The key phrase is that "quarry areas within the Livermore-Amador Valley ground water basin are not suitable for use as disposal sites." The phrase was inserted because the city council opposed Kaiser Sand and Gravel's request for a waste disposal site at its quarry and objects to any of the four valley gravel companies doing it.

Other items on the agenda tonight include proposed adoption of a water connection fee for homes which have been demolished and recommended routine denials of a couple of personal injury claims against the city.

City filing date hiked

PLEASANTON — The filing for city council and city treasurer has been extended officially until noon today.

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Meadows survivors' fire fund

PLEASANTON — A trust fund for the survivors of a tragic house fire in Pleasanton Meadows was established yesterday at First National Bank.

The fire late Saturday at 3590 Chippendale Ct. severely burned Mary Hunter, 58, and may have been responsible for an apparent fatal heart attack of her husband, Frank, 49.

Frank Hunter, his 10-year-old daughter Cheryl, and a visiting foster child were in the family room and Mary Hunter had retired to an upstairs bedroom when the fire began in the living room at about 11 p.m.

The fire was believed started by a spark coming in contact with a dry Christmas tree. Frank Hunter brought the two young children outside to safety and returned to rescue his wife. Hunter had a history of heart trouble, but fire personnel declined to comment whether he suffered a fatal attack or died from smoke inhalation. His body was found in a bedroom.

Mary suffered burns over 35 percent of her body and is in critical condition in Alta Bates Hospital Burn Center in Berkeley.

Another daughter, 16-year-old Lori, had been away from home at the time of the fire. Lori and Cheryl are staying at the home of relatives in Oakland.

Neighbors sympathetic to the plight of the Hunter family established the trust fund yesterday. The Hunter family had medical bills to pay from open heart surgery on Cheryl and her father.

Robert Philcox, an official at First National Bank, said that the community has responded generously to such financial appeals in the past and he is confident residents will respond well for the Hunter family.

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MR. AND MRS. DAVID EDGE
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Anderson-Edge

St. Augustine's Catholic Church in Pleasanton was the setting for the marriage of Kathleen Anderson to David Edge witnessed by the Rev. Edmond Cloutier. The bride

wore her mother's candlelight satin wedding gown.

Maid of Honor Pamela Anderson preceded the Bridesmaids Nancy Ames and Rosina Edge. Al Edge, Jr., was best man with Ushers Mark Simone and Bob Solez.

The new Mr. and Mrs. David Edge were feted at Shannon Park Community Center in Dublin before departing on a honeymoon at Lake Tahoe.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence R. Anderson of Pleasanton and a graduate of Amador Valley High School and the San Jose Institute of Paramedics.

David, son of Mr. and Mrs. Al Edge, Jr., of Dublin, is a 1973 graduate of Dublin High School and production manager for DEMCO of Dublin.

The newlyweds have made a first home at 3955 Vineyard Ave., Pleasanton.

Mitchell - August

Mr. and Mrs. James Mitchell announce the engagement of their daughter Bonnie to Joe August of Antioch.

Joe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph August of Antioch, is a student at Diablo Valley College in Concord with Bonnie.

No date has yet been set for the wedding.



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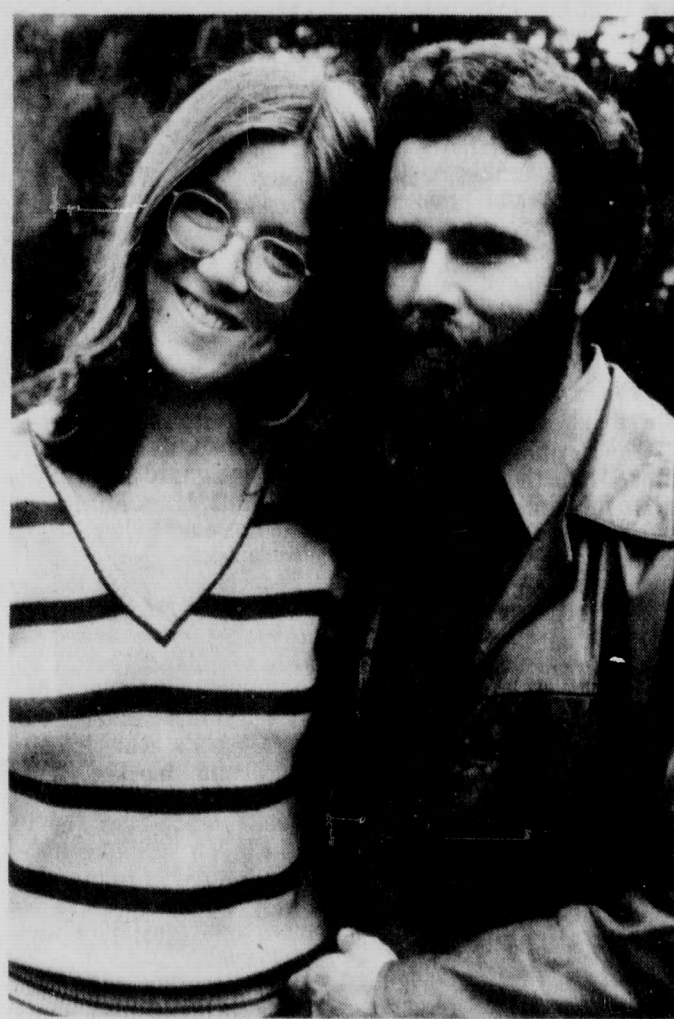
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Wendt-Derdowski

St. Augustine's Church in Pleasanton became the setting for the marriage of Patricia Wendt to Patrick Derdowski with Father Michael Gagnon of the Sacramento Newman Center officiating.

Patricia is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald R. Wendt and a graduate of Amador High School and Sacramento State University.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Derdowski of Sacramento. He is a 1969 graduate of La Sierra High School in Sacramento and also from Sacramento State University. He is now employed as an elementary school P.E. instructor.



MR. AND MRS. PATRICK DEROVSKI

Cattalini - Caraballo

Cheryl Cattalini of Pleasanton was the December bride of Keith Caraballo of Fremont in a nuptial ceremony at St. Clement's Catholic Church in Hayward.

Matron of Honor Mrs. Barbara Parmenter stood at the bride's side with Bridesmaids Linda Caraballo, Pat Corvello and Vickie Bannert. Best man was Randy Green with Ushers Scott Webster, Glenn Mark and Bill Creese.

The newlyweds were toasted at a reception at the Blue Dolphin Restaurant in San Leandro before departing on a Carmel honeymoon.

Cheryl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Armand Cattalini of Pleasanton, is a 1972 graduate of Amador Valley High School and an employee at Liberty House of Dublin. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Hector Caraballo of Hayward, Keith is employed by the Dana Corporation of Hayward. Both attended Chabot College.

The couple resides at 405 Rancho Arroyo, Fremont.

Bailey - Plato

The engagement of Debra Bailey to Arthur Plato III of Livermore has been announced by the bride-elect's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Bailey of Livermore.

Debra is a 1973 graduate of Granada High School, and a graduate of the Bryant and Stratton Business College. She is employed at Gardella's Liquor Store in Livermore.

Arthur, an employee of Lawrence Livermore Laboratory, is a 1970 graduate of Livermore High School and of the National Institute of Dry Cleaners. He is the son of Mrs. Maxine Plato, and Arthur Plato, Jr.



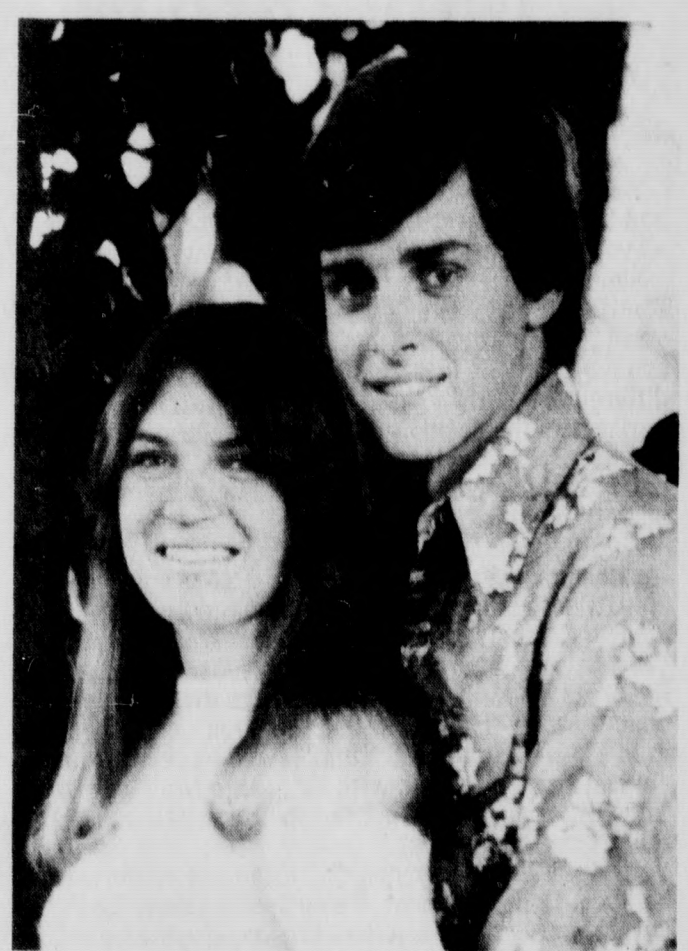
ARTHUR PLATO AND DEBRA BAILEY
(Photography by The Country Studio)

Savoie - Schreur

The engagement of Kim Savoie to Jim Schreur of Pleasanton was announced by the bride-elect's parents, Mr. and Mrs. K.D. Savoie of Pleasanton, at a family dinner party. The groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harm Schreur of Hayward were present.

Kim is a 1975 graduate of Dublin High School and a student at Chabot College at Livermore. She is employed as a checker by Lucky Stores, Inc. Jim, who graduated with Kim from Dublin High, is employed at Covey's Mobil Station in Pleasanton.

The couple will be wed March 7.



KIM SAVOIE AND JIM SCHREUR
(Robert Thomas Photography)

Edson-Taylor

Veronica Mae Edson of Livermore exchanged nuptial vows with Jeffrey Taylor, also of Livermore, at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses in a ceremony witnessed by Maid of Honor Jessie Mae Ceniceros and Best Man Stanley Edson.

Veronica is a recent graduate of Livermore High School and the daughter of Mrs. Carole Hendricks of Livermore and Alfred H. Edson of Union City.

Harvey-Nardone

Sandra Belle Harvey of Pleasanton became the bride of Nicholas Anthony Nardone

of Livermore in a ceremony performed in the Grace Baptist Church in Downey, Calif.

Maid of Honor Barbara Batson, cousin of the bride, witnessed the exchange of vows with Bridesmaids Gail Barbin, April Magel, Debbie Nardone, Mary Nardone and Tricia Ellis. Jack Bettencourt was best man with Ushers Randy Harvey, Marc Mas-trangelo, Bill Tasher, Bill Whitney and Joey Nardone.

Sandra is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul H. Harvey of Pleasanton. She attended Chabot College and is presently employed with Mervyn's Department Store. Nicholas, a sales management trainee for Georgia-Pacific, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Nardone of Torrance, Calif. He is a graduate of the University of California at Davis.

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Mike Zampa

We've been this road before. Here it is late December and the Oakland Raiders are once again puzzling over ways to dismantle the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Sunday those two rivals will settle the American Football Conference championship for the second straight year. Pittsburgh made it look easy last time around. The question this week is: Why should it be different now? Have the Raiders taken strides to reach parity with the defending Super Bowl champs? Is there any statistical evidence to indicate that Oakland will defeat Pittsburgh for the second time in their last four playoff meetings?

The Raiders can't point to specifics. They didn't last weekend anyway in the wake of that 31-28 win over Cincinnati in the playoff opener at Oakland Coliseum.

How about it, coach John Madden was asked. Does your team match up better this season against the Steelers? "I don't want much time to dwell on the Cincinnati win," Madden smiled. "But you've got to give a man a half-hour at least. Things could have been different last year. I've lived with that game for a long time. They did a good job stopping the run against us. And they're better this year."

All right. So Madden couldn't elaborate on the teams' balance. Phil Villapiano. You played against the Pittsburgh Francos last season. Are you guys as good as them?

"That's a heckuva good question," said the Raider outside linebacker. "I'd have to think about it for awhile. I know last year we were last in defense in the AFC. This year we're first in defense I'm not going to say that man for man we're better than them, but that's got to show something."

Another non-committal answer.

All right then Monte Johnson. You weren't in the regular lineup last December when the Steelers whipped the Raiders. Now you've replaced Dan Connors who slowed down just a wee too much for his rumored \$70,000 contract. Has Oakland crept up on Pittsburgh? "You're not going to get me into that," says Johnson who wants no public comparisons with the man he supplanted at middle linebacker. "We're playing better defense as a team. That's about all I can say."

"It really is difficult to determine whether or not Oakland has kept in step. To be sure, the Raiders aren't the same team that buckled before the Steelers a year ago. In fact, five starters in Sunday's win over Cincinnati didn't open the Pittsburgh playoff last time. At least three, Johnson, Ted Hendricks and Dave Dalby, will get their first starting shot at Terry Bradshaw and the Steel Curtain this Sunday. Two others, Neal Colzie and Mike Siani, may be in the lineup depending on injuries to other players.

What's more, some old veterans like Jess Phillips and Pete Banaszak are giving Oakland a fresh look.

Strategically the Raiders will look new too. Since it last faced Pittsburgh, Oakland has gone to a three tight-end set up for short yardage. It has also turned to six defensive backs for pinch passing situations. And the three-man pass rush, traditionally a situation defense, has become a Raider staple. Oakland has only four linemen, and the fourth, Dave Rowe, is saved for goal line and short yardage dilemmas. Hendricks started as a fourth linebacker against Cincinnati, in place of Rowe.

His three sacks and one blocked punt inspired Madden to say: "Thank God we signed him. He was very important. We have only four linemen, so we have few alternatives."

It looks as if Oakland will have to ride out the playoffs with Hendricks in place of a down lineman. It could be a dangerous alternative against Pittsburgh.

"Against Cincinnati, which is predominantly a passing team we could do that," Villapiano pointed out. But Pittsburgh is basically a running team and I like to go with more linemen against the run. I'll leave it to the coaches, though," Villapiano said. "They usually come up with some good stuff. They had a good game plan for Cincinnati."

"If I had to say right now I'd guess we'd go with three linemen," Johnson said. "But the coaches make the decisions and we do what they say."

The Raiders should be at least as strong defensively as they were a year ago.

Offense is the key against Pittsburgh. The Steel Curtain shrouded Oakland last season. The Raiders will need more punch to stay even Sunday. Have they got it? Well, Ken Stabler has doubled his interception totals this year, and George Blanda has dropped five to 10 yards in range. But Stabler to Cliff Branch is still the most feared play in football, and Banaszak is as automatic from three yards away as a Wilt Chamberlain miss at the foul line.

In other words, the Raiders may be better than last year. Then again they could be worse.

Which makes this whole exercise in speculation futile. But then that's why they play football games. To make prognosticators look foolish.

There's nothing wrong with EBAL junior varsity basketball that height and better shooting can't improve.

At least that was the indication after two consolation games yesterday in the Livermore JV Tournament. Granada High fell to non-league opponent Mission San Jose, 58-42, and Dublin dropped a 71-46 decision to Monte Vista, one of the league's better equipped teams.

Host Livermore High, another club not lacking in the basketball graces, played late last night for a berth in the championship which will be played this evening at 7:30.

The Gaels and Matadors will play for seventh place beginning at 3 p.m. this afternoon. For once, neither team will need a chair to see eye-to-eye with the opposition. And hopefully, neither team will require homing devices to discover the basket.

Both Dublin and Granada compiled shooting percentages yesterday that would scarcely rival Hal Lanier's lifetime batting average. Their ineffectiveness grew in direct relation to the size of the enemy.

Granada faced a Mission JV that may soon be checked for birth certificates to determine if the three Warriors on

the front line even belong in high school.

Mission started with 6-3 center Barry Smith, 6-2 Lee Faria and 6-1 Jeff Wood at the other forward. Those three made life miserable for Granada's offense and impossible for its rebounders.

Smith, who scored eight points, convinced the Matadors to shoot from a safe distance after he blocked four shots. The Warrior front line scored 14 points on rebound follow-ups.

Wood, who played little more than three quarters, made the game a non-issue by scoring 26 points. That followed a 19-point effort in an opening round loss Saturday night. Wood asserted himself immediately scoring ten points, in a 15-8 Mission first quarter. By halftime he had 16.

Faria operated freely under the basket to score ten in the second quarter and finished the half with 13. Only after Faria drew his fourth foul midway through the third quarter did Granada earn a semblance of relief.

Mission towering height plagued the Matadors early, leaving center Andy Heath and forward Steve Waldera saddled with two fouls apiece by the end of one quarter.

Waldera sparked a plaintive Granada rally in the fourth quarter scoring 10 of his 16. Steve Robison added 11 for the Matadors, and Scott Fuller had seven.

Faria scored 15 for the Warriors.

In contrast to Granada's woes, Dublin challenged Monte Vista under the basket, but even failed to convert from in close. Stunned by a 21-6 third quarter the Gaels were battered by 25.

Monte Vista was paced by center Mike Tierney with 22 points and guard Steve Jayko who had 15. Mark Beauchemin and Dave Feller scored seven apiece.

Beauchemin was another key for the Mustangs, hyping the offense as he shifted between guard and forward. He also drew the toughest defensive assignment at the top of Monte Vista's zone defense. Beauchemin blocked three shots against the Gaels.

Dan Pearson was one of Dublin's few uplifting players. He scored 11 points, four times grabbing offensive rebounds and translating them to field goals.

Lane Bespfug and Allan Dunlop each had eight points for Dublin, and Dave Seropian scored six.

Dublin trailed 37-25 early in the third quarter when Monte

Vista ignited a 16-0 tear that broke open the game.

Monte Vista hastened Dublin's demise with a press that was chiefly responsible for 21 Gael turnovers in the first three quarters.

Granada Mission Matadors — Waldera 8-0-16, Condry 2-0-4, Fuller 3-1-7, Robison 5-1-11. Warriors — Ulrey 2-0-4, Faria 5-5-15, Smith 4-0-8, Wood 11-4-26, Clifford 1-3-5, Dublin 8 13 6 19-46

Monte Vista Gaels — Batchelor 2-0-4, Pearson 4-3-11, Bespfug 4-0-8, Seropian 3-0-6, Beerman 1-0-2, Reshes 0-1-1, DePorto 2-0-4, Dunlop 2-4-8, Russell 1-0-2. Mustangs — Tierney 8-6-22, Maheu 2-0-4, Jayko 3-9-15, Dobson 1-0-2, Jones 3-0-6, Beauchemin 2-3-7, Polley 1-0-2, Feller 2-3-7, Hodgkins 1-1-3, Cleveland 1-0-2, Kinkead 1-1-3.

Reynoldson two wins from T-Town crown

Pleasanton's David Reynoldson needs just two victories in three matches this morning to win the 12 and under bracket at the Tennis Town Junior Tournament.

Action in three boys' divisions begins at 8 a.m. at the indoor complex between routes 580 and 680 in Pleasanton. Girls play at 10.

Reynoldson swept to three opening day victories Monday morning in round-robin play. Each boy is playing one set against all opponents in an age group. The winner is the player who triumphs in the greatest number of sets.

After his first day of play, Reynoldson looks strong for the 12-year-old title. David has already trounced the two players with any opportunity left of catching him. Reynoldson defeated Stockton's Mike Chinchold, 10-5 and Randy Ditzler, 10-2. Chinchold is 2-1 halfway through the tournament, and Ditzler, 1-1.

Youngsters in the 12-under bracket are playing pro sets to 10 games.

Steven Carter and Adrian Oleson, two of Reynoldson's

opponents today, are 0-2 in the tournament.

In the boys' 18 and under, Nelson Moreno of Hayward sits in the driver's seat with a 4-0 record heading into the final day of play.

Moreno defeated three Pleasanton players en route to his division lead yesterday. One of those was Rick Burroughs, tied for second at 3-1. Also tied for second are Mark Wheatley of Walnut Creek, Homer Moreno of Union City, and Hayward's Steve Kajikuwa. Moreno will play all three competitors today. Homer Moreno is his cousin.

In action yesterday, Nelson Moreno defeated Burroughs, 6-2, Tom Lukehart, 6-1, and Ron Lapp, 6-1.

Five girls will enter the

tournament this morning, Diane Cameron, Evelyn King, Stephanie Schall, Janetta Yanez and Donna Bregman.

The tournament will conclude at approximately noon today, and be followed by an awards luncheon.

Tennis Town Results

Boys' 18's — Nelson Moreno, Hayward, 4-0; Bob Cannon, Pleasanton, 3-1; Rick Burroughs, Pleasanton, 3-1; Homer Moreno, Union City, 3-1; Mark Wheatley, Walnut Creek, 3-1; Steve Kajikuwa, Hayward, 2-2; Ron Lapp, Pleasanton, 1-3; Brian Calkins, Pleasanton, 1-3; Travis Lee, Pleasanton, 0-4; Tom Lukehart, Pleasanton, 0-4. Boys' 16's — Bob Bellerose, 4-0; Jon Winslow, 3-0; John Stevens, 4-1; Paul Yanez, 3-1; Duane Crause, 2-1; Darin Platt, 2-3; John Cramer, 1-2; Brian Lyttle, 1-4; Ben Johansen, 0-3. Boys' 12's — Dave Reynoldson, Pleasanton, 3-0; Mike Chinchold, Stockton, 2-1; Randy Ditzler, 1-1; Steven Carter, Pleasanton, 0-2; Adrian Oleson, Alameda, 0-2.

Walton's a dad

There is extra pressure on Portland Trailblazer center Bill Walton to shake off nagging injuries this season, and start earning that six-figure salary.

The 6-11 red-head has another mouth to feed. Walton and his girl friend Susan (last name unknown) were blessed with a baby boy Halloween night, The Times has learned.

Adam is the youngster's name. Presumably he'll take his father's last name. Adam was born weighing six pounds, and measuring 17 inches in length. Papa's shoes are longer than that.

Bill and Susan have been together since Walton was an All-American center for John Wooden at UCLA. They are not married.

In his two NBA seasons at Portland, father Bill has been in and out of the lineup due to injuries, but mostly out.

Damaged fingers currently plague him, though Walton also suffers with a bad ankle.



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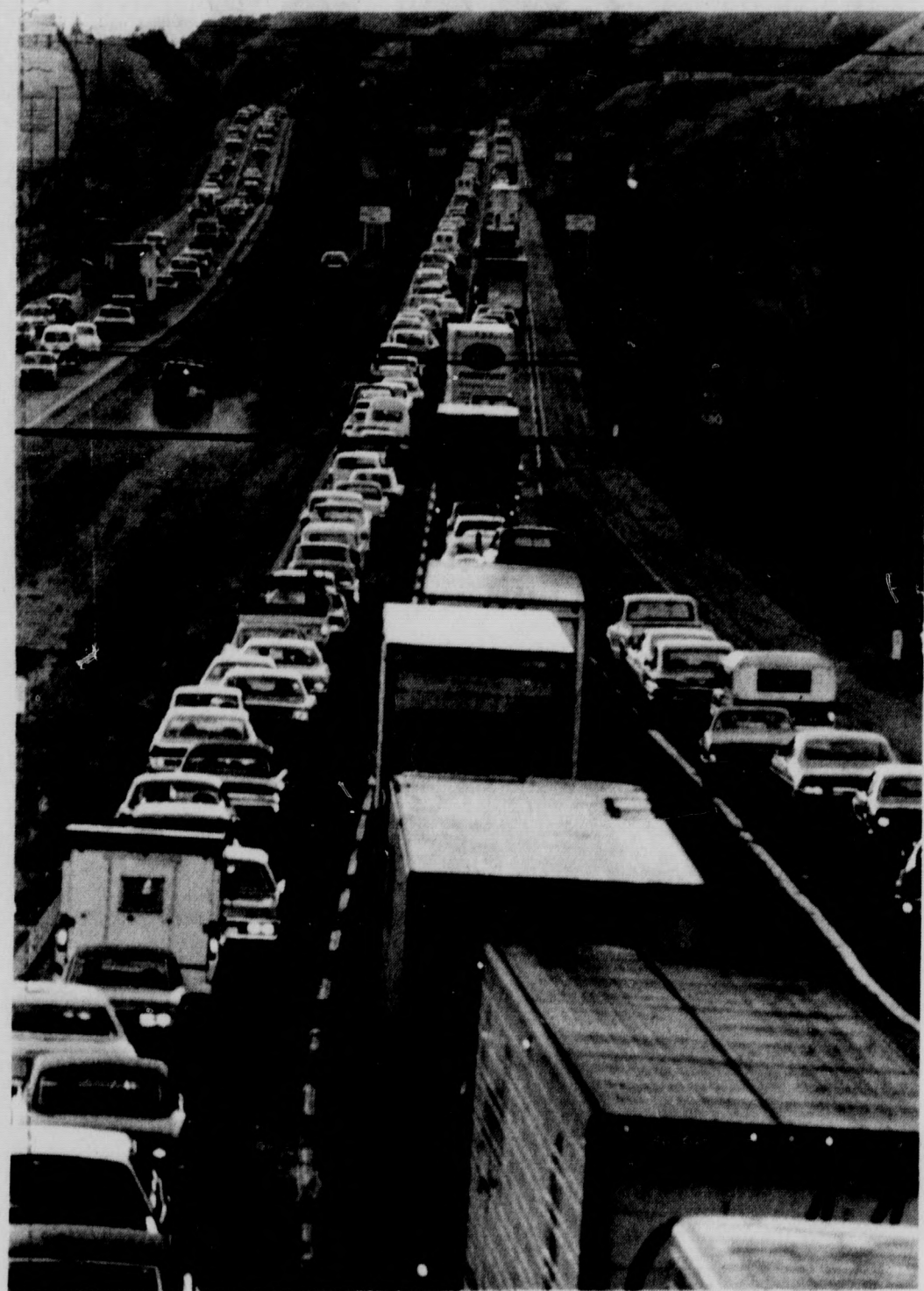
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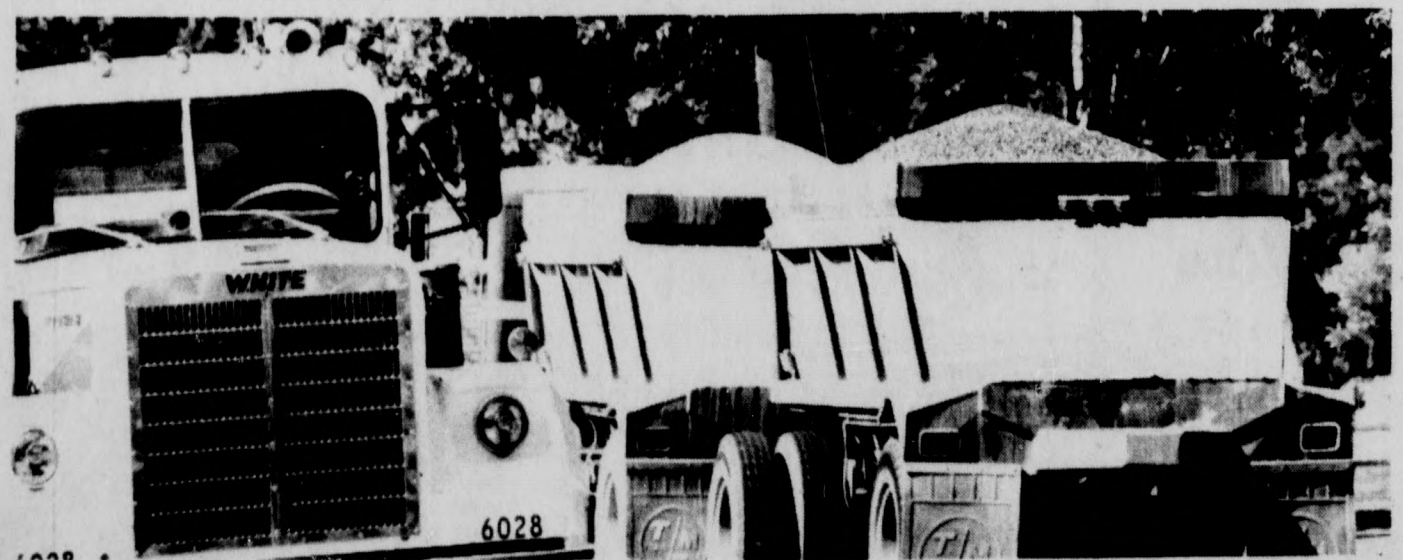
With commencing of work on adding lanes to Highway 580 through Eden Canyon (between Dublin and east Castro Valley) this scene is liable to be repeated hundreds of times in the next few years. View looks westward as trucks, pickups and autos inch up grade out of valley proper. First phase construction, which will cover the six-mile stretch from Foothill Road to Eden Canyon Road, is estimated to cost \$36 million. That section is expected to be completed in three years and the full 10.3 mile stretch is scheduled for a 1983 completion. Widening will be to full eight lanes, although only six will be paved east of Crow Canyon Road.



Feeder bus service extended

Bay Area Rapid Transit District feeder bus service, as provided by AC Transit, was extended to late evening earlier this month in tandem with the late night service begun on BART railines. Buses, including brand new ones with reclining seats and modern air conditioning features, now run as late as 10:30 p.m. from the valley and

11:05 p.m. from Hayward BART (to Dublin, Pleasanton and Livermore). Feeder bus service began second year of operation earlier this month. Here, patrons walk across Hopyard Road in Pleasanton to board at regular Hopyard-W.Las Positas stop.



The trucks are still a problem

A question in 1975, and one that still persists in 1976, is "what to do with the flow of trucks that serve those gravel pits?" Pleasantonites tired of seeing their city streets jammed with over 1000 of those trucks in a single day, thought they had the answer with a new push for

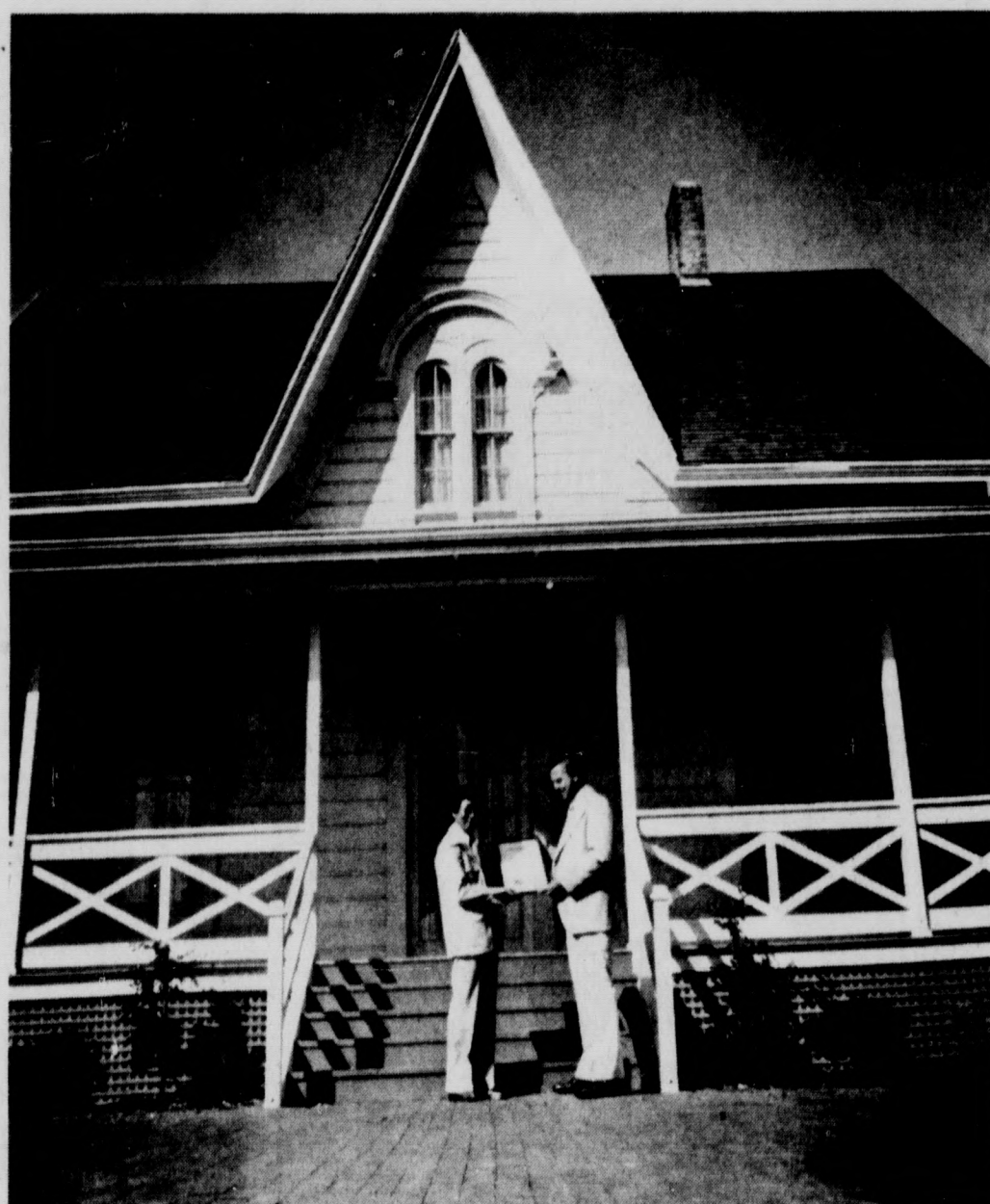
construction of El Charro Road. Livermore came up with its own answer — complete Isabel Avenue from Stanley to I-580. But at year's end, both alternatives were still little more than a dream, and the trucks continued to be both a nuisance and a menace.



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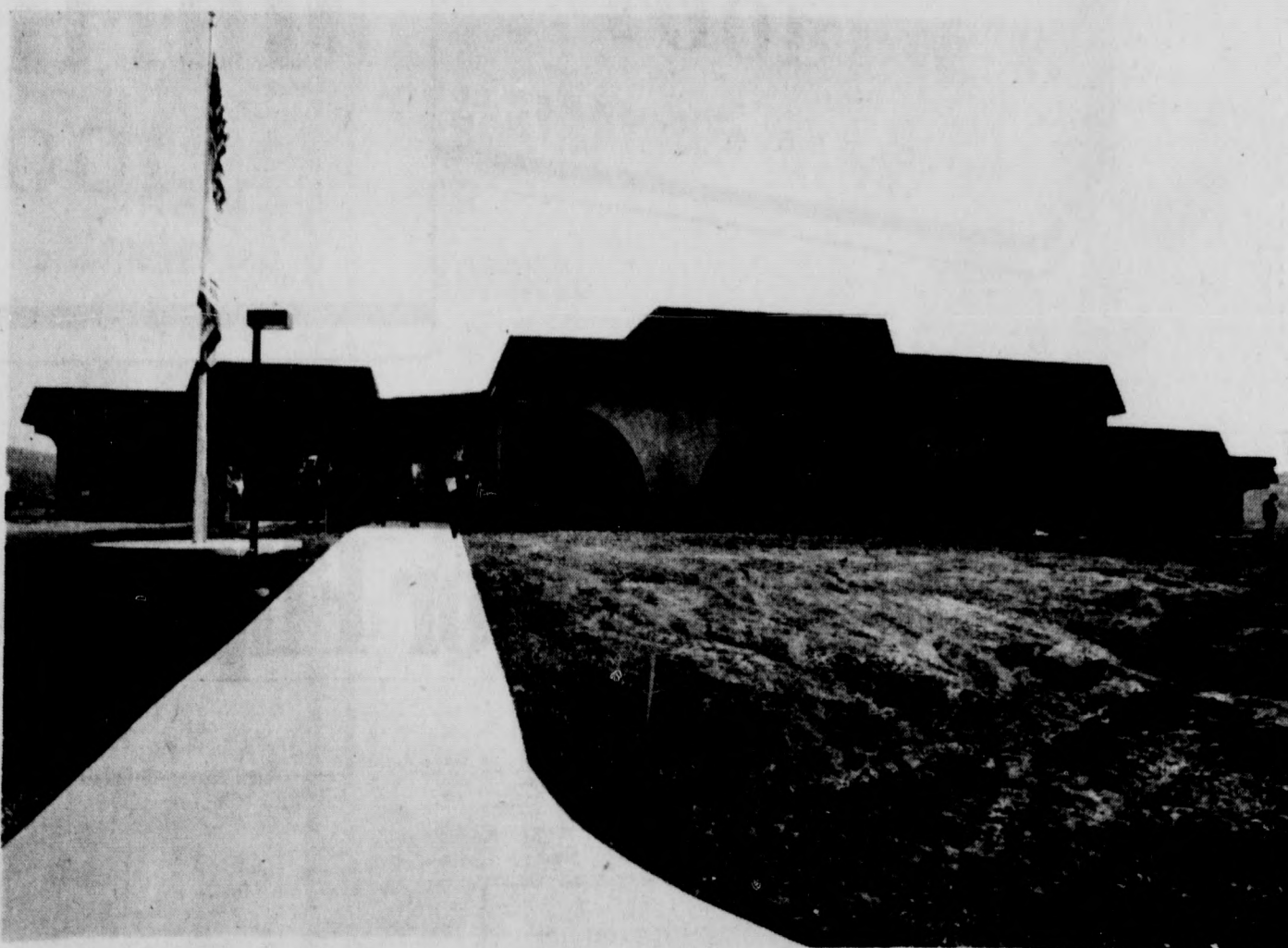
Supervisor John Murphy gestures in reference to portion of one East County government site being inspected here by county and city officials. With Murphy are Herb Crowle (holding book with description of sites), County Director of Public Works, Jim Walker of City of Pleasanton

(in background) and Supervisor Joseph Bort, right. Hill site in Pleasanton was voted down and the government center question now faces further hearings in January.



Century House: Bicentennial spirit

The restored Century House, in a beautiful park setting, was opened this past year in Pleasanton. Located on Santa Rita Road near Mohr Avenue, the home has already been the site of several social gatherings and presentations. Here, Assemblyman Floyd Mori and Ken Mercer, of the Pleasanton Bicentennial Commission, meet for presentation of plaque marking the group's role in Bicentennial activities.



Chabot-Valley campus blossoms

The Chabot-Valley Campus was dedicated last spring. Located off of Collier Canyon Road, outside of Livermore, the two-year community college already has upwards of 2,000 students. Though serving the general

populace of Livermore, Pleasanton, Dublin and Sunol, it specifically serves as the first collegiate step for graduates of valley high schools.

Television Listings

Tues., Dec. 30

8:00 A.M.
5-10—Capt. Kangaroo
7-13—A.M. America
9—Yoga with Lillas
40—Speed Racer

8:30 A.M.
2—Romper Room
9—Mister Rogers
40—Dennis the Menace

9:00 A.M.
2—Big Valley
3-4—Celebrity Sweepstakes
5—Price Is Right
7—A.M. San Francisco
9—Sesame Street
10—A Nine on Ten
13—Morning Scene
40—Jack LaLanne

9:30 A.M.
3-4—Wheel of Fortune
10—Price Is Right
40—Love Lucy

10:00 A.M.
2—Movies:
Mon: "The Mouse That Roared"
Tues: "Pirates of Tortuga"
Wed: "The Bandit of Sherwood Forest"
Fri: "My Favorite Brunette"
Sat: Kathryn Crosby
Sun: Truth or Consequences

10:30 A.M.
3-4—Hollywood Squares
5-10—Love of Life
7-13—Happy Days
44—Not For Women Only

11:00 A.M.
3—High Rollers
4—Somerset
5-10—Young and the Restless
7-13—Showoffs
36—Left, Right and Center
44—News Talk

11:30 A.M.
3-4—Magnificent Marble Machine
5-10—Search for Tomorrow
7-13—Rhyne and Reason
36—Yoga
44—New Zoo Revue

NOON
2—Courtship of Eddie's Father
3-4-5-10—News
7-13—Edge of Night
9—Woman
36—Movies:
Mon: "First Man Into Space"

Tues: "Goliath at Damascus"
Wed: "Passport for a Corpse"
Fri: "The Battle of Kozara"
40—Dick Van Dyke
44—Leave It To Beaver

12:30 P.M.
2—That Girl
3-4—Days of Our Lives
5-10—As the World Turns
7-13—All My Children
9—Yoga
40—Andy Griffith
44—Movies:
Mon: "It Conquered the World"
Tues: "Invasion of the Saucer-men"
Wed: "The Day the World Ended"
Fri: "Teenage Caveman"

1:00 P.M.
2—Movies:
Mon: "Invasion Earth 2150 A.D."
Tues: "The Wackiest Ship in the Army"
Fri: "And Now Miguel"
7-13—Ryan's Hope
40—Movies:
Mon: "King and Country"
Tues: "The Cobweb"
Wed: "The Tender Trap"
Fri: "The Flying Missile"

1:30 P.M.
3-4—The Doctor's
5-10—Guiding Light
7-13—Let's Make A Deal

2:00 P.M.
3-4—Another World
5-10—All in the Family
7-13—\$10,000 Pyramid
9—Masterpiece Theatre
36—Mike Douglas
44—Underdog

2:30 P.M.
5-10—Match Game
7—One Life to Live
13—To Tell the Truth
44—Huck and Yogi

3:00 P.M.
2—Porky & Friends
3—Movies:
Mon: "The Defector"
Tues: "Godzilla vs. the Sea Monster"
Wed: "Fathom"
Fri: "In the Doghouse"
4—Ironside
5—Tattletales
7-13—General Hospital
9—Yoga
10—Dinah!
40—Mickey Mouse Club
44—Popeye

3:30 P.M.
2—Batman
5—Mod Squad
7—Movies:

Mon: "Huckleberry Finn"
Tues: "The Son of Cleopatra"
Wed: Where Did All the Animals Go?
Fri: "Pinocchio in Outer Space"
36—Movies:
Mon: "The Brain"
Tues: "Honey Moons Will Kill You"
Wed: "My Girl Tisa"
Fri: "Dollars for a Fast Gun"
40—Captain's Cartoons
44—Three Stooges

4:00 P.M.
2—Mickey Mouse Club
4—Merv Griffin
5—Dealers Choice
9—Mister Rogers
10—Mike Douglas
13—Beverly Hillsbillies
40—Munsters
44—Little Rascals

4:30 P.M.
2—Gilligan's Island
3-4—Mike Douglas
5—Sesame Street
13—Gomer Pyle
40—Partridge Family
44—Flintstones

5:00 P.M.
2—Partridge Family
3—Bewitched
7—News
13—Adam-12
40—Mod Squad

5:30 P.M.
2—Bewitched
3-4-7-10-13—News
9—Electric Company
36—Get Smart
44—Monkees

6:00 P.M.
2-40—Star Trek
3-4-5-7-10-13—News
9—Carnascandas
36—Movie: "Never Love a Stranger"
44—Brady Bunch

6:30 P.M.
9—San Francisco Mime Troupe
13—Merv Griffin
44—Adam-12

7:00 P.M.
2-40—FBI
4—Truth or Consequences
5-7—News
9—Consumer Survival Kit
10—Concentration
44—Hogan's Heroes

7:30 P.M.
3—Seven Thirty
4—Bobby Vinton
5—Dealer's Choice
7—How to Survive as a Single Parent
9—News
10—Price Is Right

8:00 P.M.
2—Movie: "Loss of Innocence"
3-4—Movin' On
5-10—Good Times
7-13—Happy Days
9—Rivals of Sherlock Holmes
36—Movie: "Night Song"
40—Movie: "Satan Never Sleeps"
44—Dinah!

8:30 P.M.
5—Special: Mayor Aliotto
7-13—Welcome Back, Kotter
10—Joe and Sons

9:00 P.M.
3-4—Police Woman
5-10—M*A*S*H
7-13—Rookies
9—KQED Annual Report

9:30 P.M.
5-10—One Day at a Time
44—Best of Groucho

10:00 P.M.
2-40—News
3-4—Joe Forrester
5-10—Switch
7-13—Marcus Welby, M.D.
9—Monty Python's Flying Circus
36—Merv Griffin
44—Movie: "Summer Stock"

10:30 P.M.
9—To be Announced

11:00 P.M.
2—Bilko
3-4-5-7-9-10-13—News

11:30 P.M.
2—Honey Mooners
3-4—Johnny Carson
5-10—Movie: "The Abominable Dr. Phibbs"
7-13—Wide World Mystery
9—News
36—Movie: "The Countess of Monte Cristo"
40—Night Gallery

MIDNIGHT
2—News
36-40—Movies All Night

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12-30
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TRADE PEELE

astrograph

by Bernice Bede Ovi

For Tuesday, Dec. 30, 1975

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
You're capable of handling a broad range of interests today. Don't limit yourself to little things. Be up and doing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Others are more likely to treat you in a favorable manner today if they see you're also concerned about giving them a fair shake.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
Although you may be tempted to act impulsively today, weigh patiently both sides of important issues before taking step 1.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
Be extra-alert today where your work or career is concerned. Something advantageous might develop suddenly.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
You're likely to feel in a rather expansive mood today. Why not get together with fun-loving friends who feel likewise?

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
You should be quite adept today at stretching the family budget and juggling resources. Put your common sense to work.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
Your strong suit today is in creative or mental areas. Jot your bright ideas down even if you can't use them today, they can be tried later.

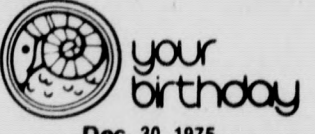
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)
Most of your attention today will be centered upon your material interests. Gains are likely if you use your best judgment.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)
You'll be happiest today being around people who share similar interests. Mix with those you can learn from and have laughs with.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Your best results will be achieved today by pulling strings behind the scenes. Shun the spotlight.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)
This should be a very pleasant day for you if you do things in accordance with your highest standards.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)
Be patient regarding rewards that are due to you. You'll not be overlooked in situations where you've put forth your best.



This coming year you may be involved in a very worthy endeavor that will be beneficial to yourself and to others as well. Seek an outlet of a charitable nature.

WIN AT BRIDGE

Good play vs. superior play

NORTH
♠ A 10 8 2
♥ 8 6 3 2
♦ 5 4
♣ A 8 7

WEST
♠ K J 5
♥ A K Q 10 7
♦ 7 6
♣ 10 5 2

EAST
♠ 9 7 4 3
♥ J 9 5
♦ 9 3
♣ 9 6 4 3

SOUTH (D)
♠ Q 6
♥ 4
♦ A K Q J 10 8 2
♣ K Q J

Both vulnerable

West North East South
1♥ 1♠ Pass 4NT
Pass 5♥ Pass 6♦
Pass Pass Pass
Opening lead—K♥

By Oswald & James Jacoby

In the ordinary good bridge game South would have no trouble making his diamond slam. West would start for the defense by leading two high hearts. South would run off a few trumps, enter dummy with the ace of clubs, lead and ruff a third heart and play out the rest of the clubs and trumps. On the last lead West would be squeezed and forced to unguard his king of spades to protect against dummy's eight of hearts. South would chuck that eight of hearts and make the last two tricks with

dummy's ace and his queen of spades.
Now let's see what happens in the extraordinary very good bridge game.

West cashes one heart and stops to think. It is obvious that South started with just one heart. It is also obvious that his trumps will be solid so West shifts to a trump. South still uses that ace of clubs to get to dummy to lead a second heart and runs off all his club and diamond winners but the squeeze fails to operate. East hangs on to his jack of hearts and West to his king-jack of spades.

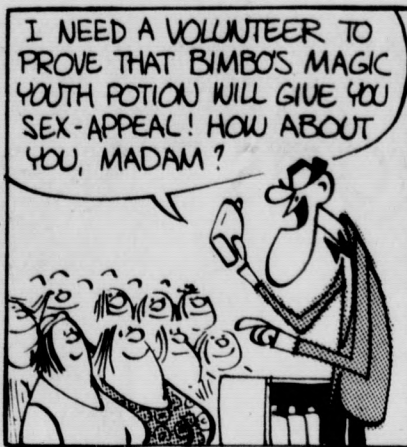
Ask the Jacobys

A reader from Pompano Beach wants to know how we play the three-spade overcall of an opening bid of one in a lower suit.

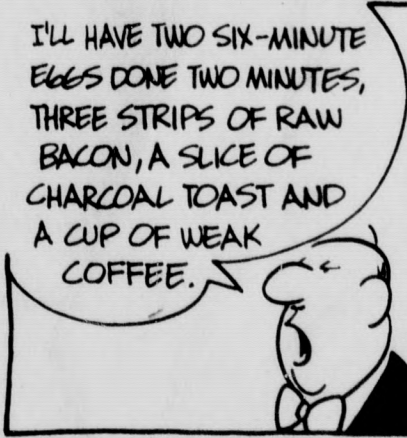
We play it just the same as an opening three-spade bid. Not much in high cards, but seven tricks if vulnerable and six if not vulnerable. Thus, we would overcall three spades with seven to the king-queen-jack, if not vulnerable. However, you don't have to play it that weak if you don't want to.

(For a copy of JACOBY MODERN, send \$1 to: "Win at Bridge," c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 489, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019)

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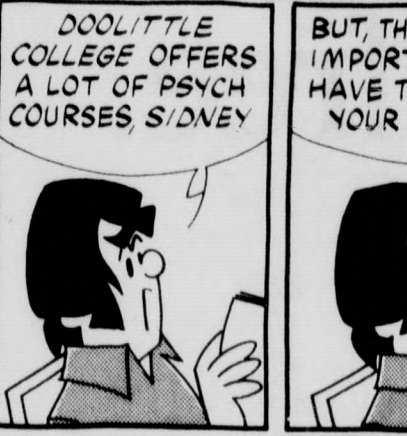
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MOOSE MILLER



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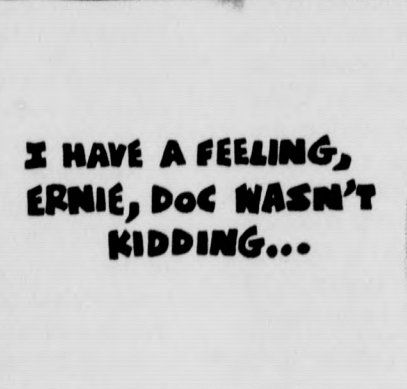
PRISCILLA'S POP



SHORT RIBS



FRANK AND ERNEST



CARNIVAL

by Dick Turner



"I'm sorry! We only have freight cars — our passenger line has been discontinued!"

SIDE GLANCES

by Gill Fox



"I'm a WRITER, Elaine! MUST you tell people I'm a bookmaker?"

So, what's new?

LIVERMORE — Eleven new Valley babies are here for the holidays, reports the stork at Valley Memorial Hospital.

Arrivals included:
Dec. 1, Jack and Donna Robson, 1059 Mocho St., Livermore, a boy; Louis and Sherrill Buitrago, 795 Meadowlark St., Livermore, Russell and Charleann Smith, 747 Chippewa Way, Livermore,

and Christopher and Theresa Ann Cahill, 5513 Firestone Road, Livermore, girls.

Dec. 2, Willis and Doretta Sperry, 5784 St. Paul Drive, Newark, and George and Patricia Otto, 4169 Galloway, Livermore, girls.

Dec. 4, Robert and Janet Luehrs, 538 LaCapita Court, San Ramon, a girl.

Dec. 6, Sven and Gigi Mork, 4219 Payne Road, Pleasanton, a boy.

Dec. 7, Ronald and Judith Bond, 3636 Ashwood Drive, Pleasanton, a boy; Glenn and Vicki Galloway, 224 Nadine St., Livermore, and Dean and Bonnie Tuft, 1016 Vienna St., Livermore, girls.

BIG SKY
TURQUOISE
JEWELRY AND FINDINGSFINE HANDMADE
TURQUOISE JEWELRY

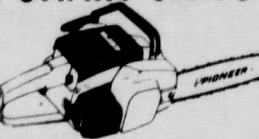
- Turquoise Nuggets
- Coral, Silver
- & Everything To Make Your Own

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Thurs. 'Til 9:00

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Seniors president

Edward Yosh, newly elected President of the Senior Californians of Dublin-San Ramon, enjoys a turkey dinner the club recently gave as part of their Christmas celebrations. Sitting with Ed is Norma McCarthy, one of the club's former presidents.

13,120 savers had it
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Citizens Savings.

Join the thousands of qualified Citizens savers who saved big dollars by having their tax returns prepared without charge.

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Act now. Limited number of openings at each Citizens office.

Reservations are being taken for free tax appointments for the preparation of 1975 returns. Don't be disappointed: set yours up today. To qualify, you can open a new Citizens account for \$5,000 or more. Or, if you were a Citizens depositor prior to December 1 and have not previously used the service, you qualify with a \$5,000 minimum balance. Citizens savers who used the service previously qualify if they have added \$2,500 in new deposits since April 15, 1975, to their \$5,000 minimum account. If you've used the service in the past, but are unable to add \$2,500, a nominal \$15 fee will be charged.

No matter how you look at it, this free tax service can save you important time and money—so make sure you qualify. We will handle all details on transferring your account to Citizens. Call your nearest Citizens office now.

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The following ads are payable in advance:
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All ads from out of our area of circulation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. Lost & Found

FOUND: Small black puppy w/white on chest, male. Vic. Dublin High. 829-4464.

FOUND: White, small Husky, vic. TG&Y, S.R. 12/22. 829-2269.

FOUND: Young Orange Tiger cat, Hansen & Hopyard, Pleasanton. 462-2684.

FOUND: 2 Shetland ponies on Vasco Rd. Christmas night. Owner identify. 443-3237.

LOST: Poodle, silver, fem, miniature, vic. Stoneridge area. Reward. 462-1177.

LOST: 4 yr. old male Weimaraner & 1 yr. old German Short-hair, white & brown liver spots, fem. Reward. 829-4677.

8. Entertainment

BELLY DANCER will definitely liven your party. Authentic Mid East dance in beautiful costume w/ Mid East music. Reserve now. NIVHANA 443-6552.

BUSINESS SERVICES

9. Services Offered

CARPETS DRY CLEANED, no shrinkage, mildew, or discoloration; living rm., dining, & hall. \$25-300 sq. ft. For appt. call Gardner 828-6173.

FIX-ALL

Plumbing, elect., carptry, heating, repair & install appl., etc. 828-4334.

GENERAL CARPENTRY, remodel, repairs, patios, no job too small. Sam. aft. 5. 828-1826.

HAULING, pruning, yard maintenance. Free estimate. 447-7233.

LIC. GRAD. OF MASSAGE INST., of Calif. offers gentle relaxing massage for women by appt., men by referral only. 443-8659.

SEE OUR BUSINESS & SERVICE GUIDE. We have specialists to service your every need.

11. Building Services

CABINETS & DECORATING. Specialize in all small remodeling. Bus. 829-4588 or 846-9430. Hundreds of Sets in Stock.

INSTRUCTION

24. Instruction

PIANO INSTRUCTION. Classical & Jazz. 25 yrs. professional exper. Call 829-3178.

27. Nursery Schools

CHILD CARE, Pleasanton area only, in your home. Need trans. Call Mary. 462-4548.

EMPLOYMENT

32. Help Wanted

ARROYO AGENCY LOCAL JOBS FOR LOCAL PEOPLE. 61 South Liv. Ave., Liv. 447-3959.

MANAGER/DISTRIBUTOR, for wholesale business. Part-time. Good income. 443-5728.

PIZZA MAKER WANTED, exper., pref. married, 25 yrs. or older. Call between 1-4 p.m., closed MONDAY. 846-6800.

SECURITY OFFICERS

Immediate positions open in Valley area. Must be 21 or older, retirees welcome, clear police & driving record. Call 455-1666.

TEACHERS WANTED, business background or marketing pref. Call 846-8324, 4-6 p.m.

32. Help Wanted

NEED

HOLIDAY MONEY? Part-time evening openings, for those now employed. Evenings, 6:30 to 10:00 p.m., plus Sat. 10:00-2:00 p.m. if desired. \$280 per month. Some permanent part-time positions available. Profit sharing also available. For interview call 443-8113.

TAX PREPARERS: We need exper. tax preparers to work in our offices. Competitive salaries & pleasant working conditions. Call 828-3730.

33. Salespeople

100% Commission Plan 1: 100% Commission \$425 or less mo. total cost. Plan 2: Start \$0.50 Split, after \$7,000 earnings 100% commission. Plan 3: 70:30 Split list & sell. Call Robb Sturgess-VINTAGE REALTY 829-4100.

35. Work Wanted

HOUSECLEANING WANTED: Good work done reasonably. 828-3690.

I NEED WORK

Cabinet, kitchen remodeling, room additions. Call 793-8702.

LIVESTOCK, PETS

38. Pets & Services

AKC BASKET HOUND PUPPIES 8 weeks old. 443-9458.

FREE DOBERMAN, fem, 5 mos. old, has puppy shots. Tail not docked. 443-1529.

FREE PUPPIES, German Shep. mix, 9 males, 2 females, to good homes. 455-1846.

FREE: Black & white, 8 wks. old puppies, fem, mixed breed, med size. 829-1986.

39. Livestock

APPLY MARE, 6 yrs., 15 hands, Chestnut, papers, exper. rider, \$500 or offer. 443-1757.

QUARTER GELD, 9 yrs., 14 1/2 hands, Bay, papers, exper. rider, \$250 or offer. 443-1757.

MERCHANDISE

47. Home Furnishings

SOFA BED, green beige tweed, \$150, also gold barrel chair, \$30. 443-0560.

MATTRESS SALE

MATTRESSES ONLY. TWIN \$25, \$34, \$40, \$44. FULL \$40, \$44, \$49, \$53. QUEEN \$55, \$61, \$74. KING \$72, \$79, \$88, \$97. BUNKIES \$29, \$39, \$45.

MIS-MATCH SETS. TWIN \$39. FULL \$49. MACHED SETS. TWIN \$48. FULL \$59. KING \$110. Just a partial listing.

WE GUARANTEE NO INSIDE DAMAGE. All sizes, soft med. firm. Four Bay Area mattress plants ship us their regular mis-match odds & ends for this sale.

A building is rented for a few weeks each year just to clear out all irregular stock.

All mattresses have steel coil springs. Come look them over. Deuce prices so minor we'll need to point them out!

Open Nights. 11 HOURS. Mon-Fri. 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sat. and Sun. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Hundreds of Sets in Stock.

MATTRESS BROKERS. CONCORD 1448 Gailindo 676-3025. Hayward 22398 Foothill 581-2970.

48. Articles for Sale

ARC WELDER-LINCOLN, 225 amp, \$120.50. Gas weld & cut outfit with cylinders & cart, \$144.50.

YORK WELDERS SUPPLY. 6343 Scarlett Ct., Dublin 828-2071.

FIREPLACE OAK. Well, well seasoned. 447-1509 & 447-8584.

FIREWOOD. Seasoned & Split. 462-1233.

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PACKING BOXES, enough to move a 3 bdrm. house, \$25. 846-5645.

SEASONED FIREWOOD: Oak & Almond, \$85 cord, delivered. Quar. to burn or money refund ed. Call collect (209) 846-0471.

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Please bill me. Run my ad _____ days in Class

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Pleasanton, CA 94566
Attn: Classified
462-4160

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Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

49. Television Stereo

HERE THEY ARE
ZENITH
MAGNAVOX
QUASAR
ALL MODELS
EXPERT REPAIR SERVICE
FRANK'S TV
720 MAIN, PLEAS.
846-5505

51. Musical Instruments

PIANOS & ORGANS
 Christmas discounts still avail.
 Five major brands. Deal locally & save. Gift certificates on any instrument. Liv. Piano & Organ Co.
 Curtis School of Music, 2184 First St., Liv. 443-3969.

63. Money to Loan

NEED MONEY
 WHO CHARGES LESS FOR A 2nd TRUST DEED?
 Don't be misled by advertising to the contrary compare our costs, the money you save is yours.
 Our Service Saves Time and is courteous too
 Our Rates Save Money
 AMORTIZED LOANS-YES INTEREST ONLY LOANS-YES
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 Tentative approval by phone to owners with sufficient equity. Any Age Anywhere in Calif. considered Confidential. "If you're not doing business with us you're probably paying too much."
SECURITY PLAN
 OF CALIFORNIA
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 A Calif. Loan Brokerage Firm

RENTALS

71. Offices—Stores (Rent)
 DUBLIN RETAIL STORES OR EXECUTIVE OFFICES
 Several prime locations available. Start at \$51.
LANGE-HILDE
 828-6900

72. Industrial, Commercial for Rent

SPACE AVAILABLE, 2,028 sq. ft., in new Automotive Center, equip. with fire sprinklers & security system. A&R Automotive Center, 846-4421.

80. Homes for Rent

80. Homes for Rent
 TRY \$3,100 DOWN
 Newly refurbished home on large lot with cent. air. Assume low interest FHA loan. Owner may carry large 2nd. \$30,750. Hurry. Call Now.
UNITED CALIF. BROKERS
 829-2800
 6994 Village Pkwy., Dublin

80. Homes for Rent

80. Homes for Rent
 DESPERATE. Owner says "I don't need this pool, fabulous floor plan, cul-de-sac lot, air, shake roof, so let someone else have it!"
TRI-VALLEY
 REALTOR 462-2770
 268 Main St., Pleasanton

73. Rooms for Rent

DUBLIN AREA: Single, employed person pref. \$125 month. Call 828-8958, rm. message.
75. Apartments for Rent
CHILDREN-INFANTS OR OVER 12: garden complex, pool, parking, near freeways & BART. 1 bdrm., \$170, 2 bdrm., \$180. All util. except elec. No pets. 415-278-8398.
77. Share Rentals
LUXURIOUS large home in Pleasanton to share with a straight, professional type person. \$175 per mo. plus utilities. 455-1511.
80. Homes for Rent
PLEAS. Avail. immed., 4 bdrm., 2 bath, gardener included, \$375 per mo. HARRIS REALTY, 846-5900.

REAL ESTATE

DUBLIN

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 adds elegance to this really nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath, with wall to wall carpeting, fireplace, built-ins, central heat, covered patio with BBQ. In immaculate condition. \$45,500.
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 3 bedrooms, 2 bath, carpeting, drapes, built in range, oven, disposal, breakfast bar. Close to shopping. \$36,950.
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 This has got to be IT! 5 acres with new home. Featuring 3 bdrms., 2 baths, family room, living room, dual fireplace, central air, shake roof, barn, fenced with arena. ONLY \$69,950.
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Health care info available

Where is the new regional health care planning going? Valley residents can find out — and may also be able to influence it — by studying a copy of the new Alameda-Contra Costa Health Systems Agency plan, available in county libraries, and by attending a hearing at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 6, in Oakland.

By federal mandate, regional health planning is replacing smaller health planning units now operating in the country. Locally, the separate Alameda and Contra Costa County Comprehensive Health Planning (CHP) bodies will be supplanted by an Alameda-Contra Costa Health Systems Agency.

According to the plan, the agency's paid staff will be directed by a board representing "providers" (such as hospitals and clinics) and "consumers" (the average citizen or organizations such as the Lung Association) from all over the two-county area.

Kane named to major ERDA post

PLEASANTON — Dr. James S. Kane, a former Pleasanton resident and president of the Pleasanton Elementary School District board in 1970-71, has been appointed to a major post in the Energy Research and Development Administration (ERDA).

He is the new Deputy Assistant Administrator for Physical Research in the office of Dr. John M. Teem, assistant administrator for solar, geothermal and advanced energy systems.

Dr. Kane will serve concurrently as director of the Division of Physical Research.

A native of Hamilton, Mont., Dr. Kane now resides in Rockville, Md. with his wife, Marilyn, and three children. A World War II veteran, he received a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Montana State College in 1950 and a Ph.D. in chemistry from the University of California, Berkeley, in 1955. He is a member of the American Chemical Society and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

He had been deputy assistant administrator for conservation since the formation of ERDA in January, 1975, administering the physical research program that is carried out through ERDA's national laboratories and through university contracts with the agency.

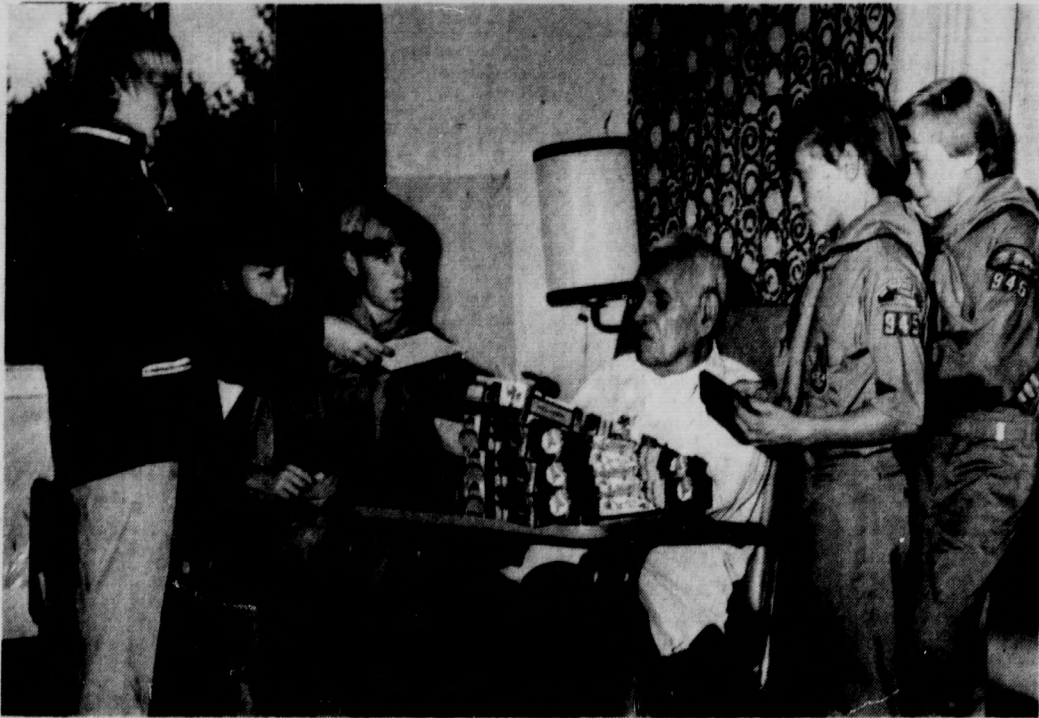
He served as technical assistant to the general manager of the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) from February, 1974, until the formation of ERDA. After passage of the 1974 Energy Reorganization Act which established ERDA, he was assigned to coordinate transitional planning for the non-nuclear aspects of the new agency.

Formation of regional planning bodies is one step in development of a nationalized health care system.

The plan now at Valley libraries (except Livermore city library, which was not on the county mailing list and so won't receive one unless the library buys it for \$2.50, according to an Alameda County spokesperson) outlines the organizational structure, goals, functions and a two-year work plan of the proposed new agency.

The Dublin library boasts a circulating copy of the plan as well as the reference copy which stays in the library.

Written and oral comments on the plan are sought at a public hearing to be held by the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 6, in the Alameda County Supervisors' chambers, 1221 Oak St., Oakland.



Adopted grandfather

John Gonzales a permanent resident of the Pleasanton Convalescent Hospital is showered with gifts from Scouts who adopted him as their "grandfather." Gonzales has no family. The boys, Brian Vaughn, Brent Mori, Scott Romney, Steven Mayn and Mark Howell, represent Scout Troop 945 who earned money to buy the gifts for their "grandfather" by collecting bottles and selling them.

Swim programs offered by recreation dept.

PLEASANTON — A variety of swimming programs will be offered by the recreation department beginning Jan. 5 at the Aquatic Center, 4455 Black Ave.

Slim and Trim, a water exercise program for women, will be offered at 10 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, Jan. 5 to Jan. 30. Participants do not have to know how to swim nor will they get their hair wet, according to a recreation department spokeswoman. Class fee is \$12.

Swim and Stay Fit and recreational swimming is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Swim and Stay Fit is also offered from 6 to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday. Swim and Stay Fit is lap swimming for improving general physical fitness. Those who wish also participate in the Red

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